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Sir:

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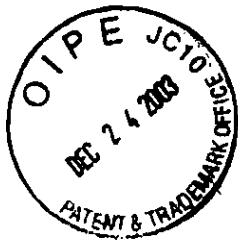
- ☒ A petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☒ The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are follows:
  - ☒ 3 months (37 CFR §1.17(a))
  - ☒ Please charge the Applicant's Deposit Account 50-0370 for the government fees of \$950 therefore.
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- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.

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